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I have never been so upset in my life over the wanton waste of money for this whole lawsuit. Why should anyone be penalized for being intelligent and industrious, and making things happen. It's a shame that someone has to sue because they came a 'day late and a dollar short' to compete. Where was this 'person'(s) in the beginning?? They could have started this whole thing too. They had every opportunity. But no, they would rather whine & moan that they can't compete - go figure? For the service provided, and being a consumer, I don't feel that Microsoft has been unfair to us. We revel in the 'new' world they have provided for us.

I would hope that this 'rubbish' is over - let the competitors compete for a piece of the pie.....not sue!  
I thank you for the opportunity to add my voice to the 'outcry'. Sincerely, Marion Dye